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J. Wallace Irvin is a shareholder in Lewis Thomason's Nashville office and focuses his practice on construction law. Mr. Irvin represents architects, engineers, contractors, subcontractors, and surveyors in a wide variety of business matters, including contract negotiations, project administration, closeout, construction defect defense and payment disputes, including the assertion and enforcement of mechanics' and materialmen's liens and performance and payment bond claims. Additionally, Mr. Irvin advises clients in administrative matters before the Tennessee Board for Licensing Contractors, the Board of Architectural and Engineering Examiners, Tennessee Occupational Health and Safety Administration (TOSHA) and Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT). In 2019-2020, Mr. Irvin helped lead an industry coalition to amend Tennessee's construction statutes to provide additional protections and remedies for contractors and design professionals to ensure timely payments are made on construction projects. Mr. Irvin has contributed to numerous industry publications, such as the Tennessee Construction Law Handbook (HLK), 2017 A201 Desk book (ABA/AIA 2017), the Tennessee Construction Law Handbook (HLK 2017), the Annotated Construction Law Glossary (ABA 2011), and the Law of Payment Bonds (ABA 2011). Mr. Irvin frequently serves as a lecturer and presenter to construction industry trade organizations and seminar providers. He is a Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 31 listed Civil Mediator.

PROFESSIONAL HONORS AND ACTIVITIES

- Rule 31 Listed Mediator (2017 - present)
- Leadership Middle Tennessee - Class of 2019
- Nashville Bar Foundation Leadership Forum - Class of 2016
- AGC Construction Leadership Program - Class of 2015
- Martindale Hubbell - AV Preeminent (Peer rated for highest level of professional excellence)
- Mid-South Super Lawyers Rising Star

AFFILIATIONS

- Licensed in Tennessee and Alabama
- American Institute of Architects, North Alabama Chapter (Member)
- Associated General Contractors of Tennessee (Legislative Committee)
- Associated Builders and Contractors of Greater Tennessee (Legislative Committee)
- Tennessee Association of Construction Counsel (Membership Chair)
- American Bar Association, Forum on Construction Law
- Tennessee Bar Association, Construction Section
- Alabama State Bar, Construction Industry section
- Tennessee Society of Professional Engineers
- Defense Research Institute Construction Law Committee (Vice-Chair, Contract and Delay Claims Specialty Law Group)
- Nashville Bar Association (Friday Fundamentals Committee)
- Homebuilders Association of Nashville/Middle Tennessee